

REMARKS

The Examiner has rejected the application on several bases. In response thereto, Applicant has amended the application so as to overcome the rejections of the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicant submits that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's withdrawal of claims 8-15 and 112. Applicant submits that as claim 1 is deemed allowable at the present time, these claims should be allowed at the present time.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 5-7, 16-21, 108, 111 under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being patentable over U.S. Pat. No. 6,138,187 issued to Galomb et al (the '187 patent) in view of U.S. Pat. No. 3,690,545 issued to Piazza (the '545 patent). Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejections.

In particular, Applicant has amended claim 1 to specifically identify that the second side wall is opposing the first side wall. As agreed to during the interview with the Examiner, Applicant submits that none of the references, including but not limited to the '187 patent and the '545 patent, disclose opposing side walls having the specified construction identified in claim 1. Indeed, it was agreed that claim 1 overcomes the prior art of record, and should be deemed allowable pending an update search.

Inasmuch as the remaining claims depend, ultimately, from claim 1, these claims should be deemed allowable at the present time. Moreover, Applicant submits that withdrawn claims 8 through 15 and 112 (which depend, ultimately, from claim 1) should be deemed allowable with the allowance of claim 1. Accordingly, claims 1, 5-21, 108-112 should be deemed allowable at the present time.

In light of the foregoing, the Application, as a whole, is in *prima facie* condition

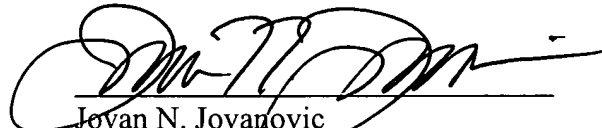
for allowance at the present time. Accordingly, reconsideration is respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the foregoing, a telephone call to the undersigned at (616) 355-0400 is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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